GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6596
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PRE- MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP TO ST STUDENTS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to provided economic assistance to States for the pre-matric scholarship to the Scheduled Tribes children;

(b) if so, by when the scheme is likely to be started; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH)

(a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment is already implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre-Matirc Scholarships which is an occupation based scheme applicable for all Indian nationals which inter-alia include ST population. The scheme is implemented for all the children whose parents are engaged in occupation like scavenging, tanning and flaying.